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## January - February Meetings

Welcome to the New Year! As usual, our **January** meeting showcases one of our semi-annual auctions. You probably have some extra philatelic items lying about so bring something to sell and be prepared to buy some of the many items up for sale.



Our **February** meeting brings back **Tom DeLuca**, a long-time HTPS member and owner of **Trenton Stamp and Coin**, located on Route 33 in Hamilton Square, NJ. Tom always surprises us with a wonderful presentation on a philatelic related topic. His 35<sup>th</sup> yearly appearance promises more of the same.

The business **meeting now starts at 7:15 PM**, but come early to check out the displays, free publications and items for trade / sale. Or just come to chat with your fellow philatelists.

## Stamp Identification

Congratulations to **Bill McCarroll** (once again!) for correctly identifying last issue's stamp as Latvia 2N27 released in 1919. Bill noted that the color representation on the printed newsletter does not always match the actual color. He often refers to the online edition for more clarity.



This month we have another overprint. So carefully check out the design and make note of the inscriptions.

\$1.00 in mint U.S. stamps for the first correct responder.

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## President's Message



In October of this year, the HTPS will celebrate its **40<sup>th</sup> anniversary**. I have been a member for seven years and have enjoyed many aspects of our group. The variety of speakers we have each year, both members and outside philatelists, is especially welcome.

We also feature an award winning newsletter and a website that contains prior year newsletters, copies of meeting presentations and links to many philatelic sites containing a wealth of information.

All of this for only \$10 in dues a year. Considering what we offer, that is a real bargain. If you have not paid for 2015, please remit now to "HTPS" at the masthead address or pay at the next meeting.

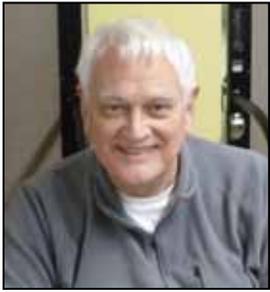
One sad note from last year was the passing of two HTPS members – **Hank Applegate** and **Warren Scheible**. See inside for a tribute to these gentlemen.

## HTPS Meetings . . .

Meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Hamilton Township Library, 1 Justice Samuel A. Alito, Jr. Way, off Whitehorse Mercerville Road, Hamilton, NJ (Mercer County).

## Meeting Proceedings . . . by Jack Sack

After the business portion of the **November** meeting, **Jack André Denys**, the American Topical Association's (ATA) president, gave a talk on what the ATA represents and what it offers to members.



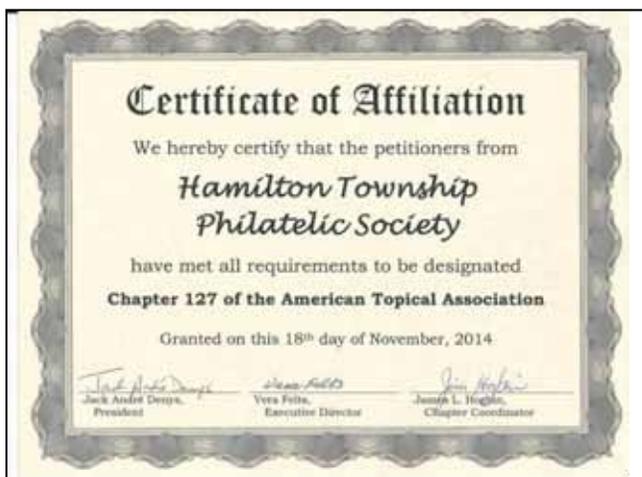
Jack described the growth of the ATA during the past few years. Under his leadership, the ATA has expanded member services and increased membership which is a tribute

to the organization given these difficult times for our hobby. Many of the new services are online and free to members. For more information, check out the ATA's website at [americantopicalassn.org](http://americantopicalassn.org).

These accomplishments include the creation of electronic and archived versions of the bi-monthly *Topical Time*, a comprehensive checklist database of topical stamps, and the ATA's TopicalsOnLine website for buying and selling topical stamps (at [www.topicalsonline.com](http://www.topicalsonline.com)). There are no listing fees with a 10% commission on completed sales.



At the end of Jack's talk, he presented us with a certificate of affiliation designating the HTPS as Chapter 127 of the ATA.



The **December** meeting included an update on the Princeton High School **stamp exhibit** planned for April. **Jeff Boyarsky** reported that he met with Scott Cameron to view the site. There was a discussion about the logistics of transporting the display frames from the Merchantville Stamp Club to Princeton, and what assistance we would need in designing and setting up the exhibit. **Roger Randall** offered to bring in a frame to show how to load an exhibit.

**Ken Steel** and **Tony Zingale** both reported on letters from John Hotchner from the **Stamps for the Wounded** program thanking us for our donations. Our thanks to **Don Bunker**, **Jim Cope**, **Joe Pavelchak** and **Jack Sack** for their donated material.

It was proposed that we give a gift of \$150 to the Hamilton Township Free Public Library. A motion was made by **Andrew Boyajian** and seconded by **Len deGroot**. The motion passed unanimously.

**Andrew Boyajian** mentioned that the Quad City Stamp Club will be having their annual Stamp Out Cancer Auction on April 19th. For details, see their website at <http://qcstampclub.com/>.

Show and Tell followed with members presenting some interesting items including **Bill Schnug** who showed some covers he recently acquired.

Our annual Holiday party followed the meeting with three tables of treats and drinks. **Jim Cope's** offering this year was a cake commemorating the Civil War's 150th anniversary. The cake was delicious, but the toy soldiers were a bit chewy.



## Hank Applegate



HTPS member **Henry J. Applegate** passed away in early November 2014. He is survived by his wife of 48 years Mary Ellen, his son David, daughter Heather and grandchildren Lauren, Matthew and Amanda.

Hank served his country in the United States Army and retired from the Air National Guard. He worked as a Fire Chief from NAEC-NAWC Lakehurst, NJ and was a lifetime member of the Highland and East Pennsauken fire departments.

He was a member of various philatelic groups including the APS, ATA, HTPS and the Merchantville Stamp Club (MSC) where he served as Secretary. He belonged to the AmVets, the VFW and the Lakehurst Historical Society. [Source: *Courier-Post* newspaper]

Hank was a founding member of the MSC's Youth Outreach program which works to bring philately to local school-age children. The MSC team members visit schools and present philatelic talks to students. Another facet of the MSC program is the monthly meetings at the Pennsauken library.

Exhibiting philatelic material was one of Hank's enjoyments. He won numerous awards and medals for his exhibits at local and APS-sponsored shows including MERPEX and DELPEX. Hank also mentored young people in exhibition techniques.



1909 ILA "Butterfly Card" with Count Graf Zeppelin.

We best know Hank from his talks. He loved Zeppelins and his last HTPS presentation on that topic was in 2013 on the Internationale Luftschiffahrt Ausstellung (ILA) held in 1909. We also remember his excellent 2011 talk on the 1926 Philadelphia **Sesqui-Centennial Exposition**. Both of Hank's presentations are on the HTPS website.

This tribute to Hank was written by MSC member **Mary Sanchez** and is presented with her permission.

*"Hank Applegate was a great mentor of the kids stamp club outreach program.*

*Hank generously shared his knowledge, materials, and stories of his experience collecting stamps. He really got a kick out of seeing the kids develop their interest in a particular subject.*

*As you all can agree, Hank was a walking encyclopedia. He used his knowledge to engage the kids in conversation and educated them about why that person was on the stamp. He offered encouragement to the kids and, together with the other members of the kids stamp club, taught them to open up their minds.*

*The kids did such a great job they all entered stamp exhibits in last year's 2013 MERPEX show. Imagine that all three kids, Lauren, Matt and Manny, took home awards – what an awesome experience. Needless to say, Hank definitely beamed with pride that the kids shared his love of collecting stamps.*

*I also received the benefits of Hank's many lectures and presentations at the Saturday club meetings, as I hung out with my grandson, Manny. I enjoyed it so much that I also became a new collector and entered my first stamp exhibit at this year's 2014 Merpex with his encouragement. Hank always said, "Collect whatever you want and tell a story about it, that's it and have fun doing it."*

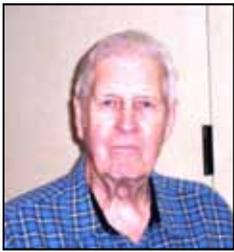
*I just wanted to share a few thoughts and thank Mary Ellen and David, Amanda, Lauren and Matt for allowing Manny and me to share a small bit of time with Hank, a great individual and mentor who truly loved being around the kids.*

*Hank will be greatly missed, but never forgotten."*



1926 Sesqui-Centennial pre-opening publicity postcard.

## Warren Scheible

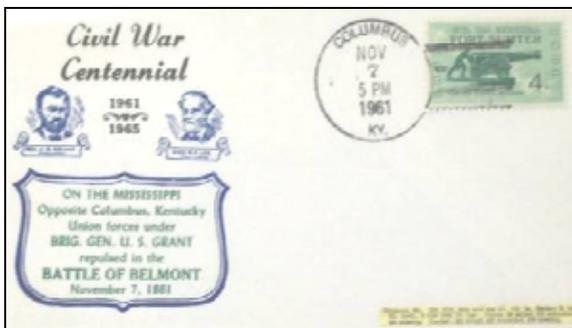


Long time HTPS member **Warren Scheible** passed away on Nov. 24, 2014. Warren was born in Chicago, IL and graduated from Carl Schurz High School in 1940. He joined the Army during WW II and fought in Patton's Third US Army, 80th Infantry Division. Honorably discharged after the war, Warren married his fiancée, Dolores, and settled in Hamilton Township in 1950.

After graduating from Rider College, he worked for PSE&G and Sears Roebuck & Co before starting his career as an insurance and equity products representative for Lutheran Brotherhood/Thrivent.

Always involved in the community, Warren was past president of the Greater Trenton Association of Life Underwriters, a life member of VFW Post 3525 and the Hamilton Elks Lodge No. 2262, and a member of the American Philatelic Society. A devoted Lutheran, Warren was a decades-long member of the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, and was past president and vice president of the church council.

Warren was a founding member of the HTPS and remained active for most of our group's 40 years. His most recent contributions included a presentation in May 2011 on "Modern" Civil War covers bearing the 1961-1965 Civil War Centennial Stamps.



In 2010, Warren talked about Civil War Fractional Postage Currency. Because of lack of metal coins during the war, paper notes in denominations of 5¢ to 50¢ were used from 1862 to 1863. His presentation included several examples of these notes. Example at right is from Wikipedia.



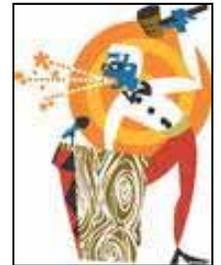
## Stamp Show

The **Tri-State Coin and Stamp Show** is moving from its current location in Ft. Washington. Starting in January, it will be at the Williamson Banquet & Event Center, 500 Blair Mill Road, Horsham, PA 19044.

That location is about one half mile North of PA Tpk. Exit 343 (Willow Grove). Take Route 11 North and make a left at the 2<sup>nd</sup> traffic light onto Blair Mill Road.

## Society Auction

Its auction time again! That means an opportunity to acquire some material for your collection or to sell some of your excess items.



Here are some **hints** for creating lots:

- ⇒ Reference publications, like specialized or color catalogs.
- ⇒ Postcards, postal history and ephemera also sell.
- ⇒ Be realistic about minimum bids. Common items usually sell for 10-20% of CV.

Enter your name and date on the **Auction List Sheet**. Describe the item for sale. If needed, use 2-3 lines and renumber the sheet. Complete a **Lot Description form** for the item or attach the lot info to the sale item.

Auction List - Seller's Name: <u>JOHN DOE</u>			Date: <u>1-15-08</u>	
Item No. or Scott Number	Item Description and/or Condition (e.g. Blue Columbian, MNH, F.V. Gum Green)	Minimum Bid	Sales Price	Notes
1.	Scott 2004 US SPECIALIZED CATALOG - Good cond.	1.00		
2.	Scott PB Album, 194-1984 Commemorative			
3.	Denmark #9/126 (8) Used - CV \$75+	2.00		
4.	Netherlands 200 DIFF USED - CV \$45	5.00		
	ear Pages	3.00		

**HTPS Auction --- Lot Description**

Seller Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Item #: \_\_\_\_\_

Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Item Value: \_\_\_\_\_ Min. Bid: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Sales \_\_\_\_\_  
 Club Commission (-10%) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Net to Seller \_\_\_\_\_

Obtain a **bidder number** before the auction starts. Bidding starts with the seller's minimum bid as shown on the Lot Description form. All items are **SOLD AS IS** - so carefully check the auction lots for content and quality before the auction starts.

If you wish to **donate** the sales proceeds to the HTPS, please indicate that on the Auction List Sheet.

Winning bidders pay for their items first. Then the sellers are paid the price realized MINUS a 10% commission for HTPS. See our website for detailed info and forms.

## Upcoming Events

### January 2015 . . .

1/2-4 → Garden State Stamp & Coin Show – Bethwood Manor – 38 Lackawanna Avenue (off Union Blvd) – Totowa, NJ – Fri. 10 AM to 6 PM – Sat. 10 AM to 5 PM – Sun. 10 AM to 4 PM.

1/3 → MSC Stamp Bourse – Temple Lutheran Church – 5600 Route 130 North (at Merchantville Avenue) – Pennsauken, NJ – 9 AM to 4 PM – [merchantvillestampclub.org](http://merchantvillestampclub.org).

1/4 → Garden State Stamp, Coin & Currency Show – P.A.L. Building – 33 Baldwin Rd – Parsippany, NJ – 9 AM to 4 PM – 973-335-0555.

1/8 → Merchantville Stamp Club Meeting – Temple Lutheran Church – 5600 Route 130 North (Merchantville Ave) – Pennsauken, NJ – Opens at 7 PM – [merchantvillestampclub.org](http://merchantvillestampclub.org).

1/10 → 2nd Saturday Bourse – American Legion Post – Rtes. 130 North & 33 East – Hightstown, NJ – 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM – 215-287-9327 – [hamiltonphilatelic.org/hightstown](http://hamiltonphilatelic.org/hightstown).

1/18 → Wayne Stamp & Collectibles Bourse – Fire Company #1 – 93 Parrish Drive – Wayne, NJ – 9 AM to 4 PM.

**1/20 → HTPS MEETING – Hamilton Township Public Library – Hamilton, NJ – 7:00 PM – Auction.**

1/21 → Merchantville Stamp Club Meeting – Temple Lutheran Church – see 1/8 meeting for details.

1/25 → Tri-State Coin & Stamp Show (4th Sunday) – **NEW LOCATION** – Williamson's Restaurant – 500 Blair Mill Rd – Horsham, PA – 10 AM to 4 PM – 305-852-7678.

### February 2015 . . .

2/1 → Garden State Stamp, Coin & Currency Show – P.A.L. Building – 33 Baldwin Rd – Parsippany, NJ – 9 AM to 4 PM – 973-335-0555.

2/5 → Merchantville Stamp Club Meeting – Temple Lutheran Church – 5600 Route 130 North (Merchantville Ave) – Pennsauken, NJ – Opens at 7 PM – [merchantvillestampclub.org](http://merchantvillestampclub.org).

2/7 → MSC Stamp Bourse – Temple Lutheran Church – 5600 Route 130 North (at Merchantville Avenue) – Pennsauken, NJ – 9 AM to 4 PM – [merchantvillestampclub.org](http://merchantvillestampclub.org).

2/7 → Stamp & Coin Day – The Stamp Center – 4115 Concord Pike – Wilmington, DE – 10 to 5 PM – [dutchcountryauctions.com](http://dutchcountryauctions.com) – 302- 478-8740.

2/14 → 2nd Saturday Bourse – American Legion Post – Rtes. 130 North & 33 East – Hightstown, NJ – 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM – 215-287-9327 – [hamiltonphilatelic.org/hightstown](http://hamiltonphilatelic.org/hightstown).

2/15 → Wayne Stamp & Collectibles Bourse – Fire Company #1 – 93 Parrish Drive – Wayne, NJ – 9 AM to 4 PM.

**2/17 → HTPS MEETING – Hamilton Township Public Library – Hamilton, NJ – 7:00 PM – Philatelic Presentation.**

2/19 → Merchantville Stamp Club Meeting – Temple Lutheran Church – see 2/5 meeting for details.

### March 2015 . . .

3/1 → Garden State Stamp, Coin & Currency Show – P.A.L. Building – 33 Baldwin Rd – Parsippany, NJ – 9 AM to 4 PM – 973-335-0555.

3/5 → Merchantville Stamp Club Meeting – Temple Lutheran Church – 5600 Route 130 North (Merchantville Ave) – Pennsauken, NJ – Opens at 7 PM – [merchantvillestampclub.org](http://merchantvillestampclub.org).

3/7 → MSC Stamp Bourse – Temple Lutheran Church – 5600 Route 130 North (at Merchantville Avenue) – Pennsauken, NJ – 9 AM to 4 PM – [merchantvillestampclub.org](http://merchantvillestampclub.org).

3/7 → Westfield Stamp Show – Westfield Municipal Center – 425 East Broad St. – Westfield, NJ – 10 AM to 4 PM – [westfieldstampclub.org](http://westfieldstampclub.org).

3/14 → 2nd Saturday Bourse – American Legion Post – Rtes. 130 North & 33 East – Hightstown, NJ – 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM – 215-287-9327 – [hamiltonphilatelic.org/hightstown](http://hamiltonphilatelic.org/hightstown).

**LAST SHOW AT THIS LOCATION**

3/15 → Wayne Stamp & Collectibles Bourse – Fire Company #1 – 93 Parrish Drive – Wayne, NJ – 9 AM to 4 PM.

**3/17 → HTPS MEETING – Hamilton Township Public Library – Hamilton, NJ – 7:00 PM – Philatelic Presentation.**

**NOTE:** For additional and updated information, see [www.stampshows.com](http://www.stampshows.com), [www.stamps.org](http://www.stamps.org) and [www.postal-history.com/showpage.html](http://www.postal-history.com/showpage.html).

## Library Exhibit

For the month of November, HTPS member **Andrew Boyajian**, shown here with library director Susan Sternberg, created a philatelic exhibit at the Hamilton Township Public Library.



Four display cases in the main lobby were used for the exhibit. Included were examples of Andersen cacheted FDCs (Andrew's favorite topic) and a selection of stamps, philatelic catalogs, supplies and accessories.

## San Diego Talk

... by **Ron Gonzalez**

Recently I was in San Diego for a medical convention. While there I gave a presentation on *Puerto Rico Postal History* at the **San Diego Philatelic Council**, a local group responsible for the SANDICAL Expo held each year in January (see [www.sandical.org/](http://www.sandical.org/)).



The Council meets at the San Diego Philatelic Library where they maintain one of the largest philatelic libraries in the country with thousands of publications available for use by its members. Here I am with Manny Marty on the left.

## Membership Dues

Do not forget to pay your 2015 membership dues – a good bargain for only \$10. Please make your check payable to “HTPS” and send to P.O. Box 3443, Mercerville, NJ 08619. You can also give your check, or cash, to the Membership Chairman, **Jack Sack**, at our next meeting.

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The objective of our Newsletter is to promote philately, educate and inform our members and to encourage other like-minded individuals to join the Hamilton Township Philatelic Society.

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### ----- HTPS Meeting Program -----

- ⇒ Jan. 20 – Society Auction
- ⇒ Feb. 17 – Tom DeLuca – Always a surprise!
- ⇒ Mar. 17 – “*The Bathurst Connection: The Centrality of Gambia to the Development of Transatlantic Air Mail*” by Gary Loew
- ⇒ Apr. 21 – TBD
- ⇒ May 19 – Member Mini-Presentations

We are looking for speakers for the 2015-2016 season. Please contact us if interested.

### Newsletter Articles ...

We always welcome philatelic articles, ideas or suggestions. Contact Tony Zingale at P.O. Box 3443, Mercerville, NJ 08619; or call 609-586-7663; or email us at [hinge@HamiltonPhilatelic.org](mailto:hinge@HamiltonPhilatelic.org).